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Juan David Perdomo

Selvin Romero

Thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf. Below is a list of our daily prayer requests.

Sunday
God gives spiritual and numeric growth in both the Corquín and Potrerillos congregations

Monday
Our plans and actions are guided directly by God and that He gets the glory in everything we do

Tuesday
Women's Group Bible study and children's classes

Wednesday
Individual Bible studies with non-believers

Thursday
Mid-week Bible study

Friday
Program for School Children

Saturday
Men's Group Bible study

Two New Brothers in Christ

There are two new brothers in Christ in Potrerillos.

Juan David, the son of one of the Christian women was baptized before men's group on November 9th at the Corquín building. He has been studying for months with Gerson, a church planter from El Salvador who came to work with us last year, through Mission UpReach.

Selvin Romero is the first person to be baptized at the Potrerillos church building. We brought the swimming pool up from Corquín and he was baptized during services on Sunday, November 24th. Selvin is married and his wife is currently studying the Bible every week. His leg was injured a while back and he has to walk with crutches, but that doesn't stop him from walking every Sunday to meet with the Church. He has also been studying with Gerson for several months. We are so excited to witness both of these individuals make Christ the Lord of their lives. Please pray for these new brothers that they will grow strong in their new faith.

***You may notice the stark difference in water quality between the photo on the left and the one on the right! The one on the left is from our Corquín water source and the one on the right comes from a pure mountain spring in Potrerillos.*

Thanking God for the good…and the difficult

We just celebrated Thanksgiving and that's always a good time to reflect on where God is working around us. Mike and I are blessed more than we deserve and are grateful, that with your help, God allows us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in this area.

Each month we share the highlights of that month's activities with you. God is doing so many amazing things that sometimes we can't fit all our news onto two pages, so some items get left out. There are also things that purposefully don't make the monthly "highlights" either, but perhaps that's not a good habit. These are the hard, challenging, and often discouraging things. With growth comes pain, and with pain comes growth.

James 1:2-4 says, "*Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything*." We know this verse to be true, but it seems more enjoyable when it remains theoretical rather than practical. This month we sense the spiritual warfare at a more concentrated level. Satan has been attacking our young Christians and the disruption is painful and is affecting the unity of the body. We have some who are judging others based on either teaching from other religious groups, their schooling or family culture and believe that these standards are what should define terms of fellowship. Many of these disagreements stem from what individuals consider a lack of respect or simply behavior that they don't like. An example – in our mid-week meeting, Mike was leading singing and a breeze blew some of his papers off the podium and it cause some to giggle. There were calls to discipline those who "disrespected" Mike. The person offended by the giggling was inclined to "leave the church" and wants to motivate others to do the same. God is allowing us an opportunity to direct our young Christians back to His word to find proper responses to "offenses." We repeatedly point to scripture for direction on how to act and encourage our members to evaluate their responses and model them on God's word and directions for us. Please pray that God guides our words and actions to lovingly encourage the young Christians to act as God calls us to rather than how our feelings or our fears drive us to act.

A Ladies Day Event in Corquín

On Saturday, November 30th, the Corquín church hosted a special event for the women of Corquín and Potrerillos. Donna Waldron, with Mission UpReach in Santa Rosa, came and spoke on the theme, "*Joy in the Midst of Sadness*." This is a much-needed topic, especially at this time of year when many are telling us that we need to be happy and even jolly, all while there is sadness and pain in our hearts. She did an amazing job.

This event was put together very rapidly, but God blessed our efforts and thirty-nine women, including several first-time visitors, joined us for a couple of uplifting hours that afternoon. Please pray that they will come again.

Ladies' Day Event

On the left is Kris with a new visitor who attended the Potrerillos church last Sunday and her sister.

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